

Figs. 3(a) and 6(a). Applicant also requests reconsideration of the amendments to the specification which were requested entered with our last response relating to the proposed drawing figures. Support for this amendment may be found in the parent application filed October 6, 1992, S/N 957,598, later abandoned and refiled as U.S. Patent Application S/N 322,357 on October 13, 1994 and then later issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,490,363, issued February 13, 1996. As filed, the '598 application contained a claim 6 which recited that the block upper surface comprised "two protrusions shaped to seat within the insets of adjacently positioned similarly configured blocks". Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicant also traverses the Examiner's rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph and requests favorable reconsideration. The Examiner has made this rejection noting that the "location and shape of these protrusions are not [SIC] specified sufficiently." (See page 3 of the instant Office Action). The protrusions are shaped to fit within the insets as claimed in claim 6 of the originally filed '598 application. Further, the location of the protrusions is such that it will allow mating of these protrusions with the insets to form a structure. (See the instant specification at page 10, line 12 through page 11, line 17).

Applicants further request consideration of new claims 50-85. These claims were initially posed to the Examiner on November 16, 1995 but there is no apparent recognition that the amendment was in fact entered in the last office action. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of these claims.

Accordingly, favorable reconsideration of claim 42 is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments,  
Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration of the  
specification, drawing, and all claims pending herein.

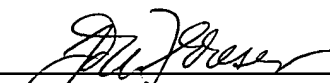
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